

Section 3.7

Implicit Differentiation

$$y = x^2 \quad \text{EXPLICIT}$$

$$xy + y^2 = 5 \quad \text{IMPLICIT - "Hidden"}$$

y is a function of x

Example

$$\frac{2y \frac{dy}{dx}}{2y} = \frac{1}{2y}$$
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2y}$$

Differentiate

$$y^2 = x$$

Differentiate both sides with respect to x

Then solve for $\frac{dy}{dx}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x^3 + y^3 - 9xy &= 0 \\
 3x^2 + 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} - 9 \left((1)(y) + (x)(1) \frac{dy}{dx} \right) &= 0 \\
 3x^2 + 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} - 9y - 9x \frac{dy}{dx} &= 0 \\
 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} - 9x \frac{dy}{dx} &= -3x^2 + 9y \\
 \frac{dy}{dx} (3y^2 - 9x) &= -3x^2 + 9y \\
 \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{-3x^2 + 9y}{3y^2 - 9x} = \frac{\cancel{3}(-x^2 + 3y)}{\cancel{3}(y^2 - 3x)} = \frac{-x^2 + 3y}{y^2 - 3x}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \cos^2 y \cdot \sqrt{x^3 + 1}^{\frac{1}{2}} &= 5 + x \\
 2 \cos y \cdot (-\sin y) \frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{1}{2} (x^3 + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (3x^2) &= 1 \\
 -2 \cos y \sin y \frac{dy}{dx} &= 1 + \frac{1}{2} (x^3 + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (3x^2) \\
 \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{1 + \frac{1}{2} (x^3 + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (3x^2)}{-2 \cos y \sin y} \\
 &= \frac{1 + \frac{3x^2}{2\sqrt{x^3 + 1}}}{-2 \cos y \sin y}
 \end{aligned}$$

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Find $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ if $2x^3 - 3y^2 = 8$

Find the slope of the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 25$ at the point $(3, -4)$

Find the tangent and normal to the ellipse $x^2 - xy + y^2 = 7$ at the point $(-1, 2)$.

